Georgia House of Representatives



DAILY REPORT

18th Legislative Day

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

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- The House will reconvene for its 19th Legislative Day on Wednesday, February 10 at 10:00 a.m.
- The Rules committee will meet at 9:00 a.m.
- 6 bills / resolutions are expected to be debated on the floor. HB 870 may also be called by the Speaker.

Today on the Floor

Rules Calendar

HB 483 State symbols; shoal bass as official state native riverine sport fish; designate

Bill Summary: HB 483 designates the shoal bass as the official Georgia state native riverine sport

fish.

Authored By:Rep. Debbie Buckner (137th)Rule Applied:Modified-OpenHouse Committee:Game, Fish, & ParksCommittee01-26-2016Do PassAction:

Floor Vote: Yeas: 167 Nays: 0 Amendments:

HB 697 Unsolicited merchandise; solicitors to receive from consumers affirmative assent to continued receipt of certain merchandise following a free trial before charging; require

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 697 revises Code section 10-1-50 and provides that no "person", as used in Code section 10-1-2, shall offer for sale goods, wares or merchandise where the offer includes voluntary and unsolicited sending of goods, wares or merchandise not actually ordered or requested by the recipient. The receipt of such goods is deemed an unconditional gift to the recipient who may use or dispose of the items without any obligation to the sender unless the items were delivered as result of a bona fide mistake.

No person shall require payment for the continued provision of any goods, wares, or merchandise following the expiration of a trial period during which the items were provided free of charge unless the recipient of those goods assents to the receipt on a paid basis. In the absence of such assent, the receipt of the merchandise is deemed an unconditional gift to the recipient who may use or dispose of the items, unless the items were delivered as a bona fide mistake, without obligation to the sender.

Authored By:Rep. Tom Kirby (114th)Rule Applied:Modified-OpenHouse Committee:Agriculture & Consumer AffairsCommittee01-27-2016 Do PassAction:

Floor Vote: Yeas: 166 Nays: 0 Amendments: AM 40 0152

HB 737 Code Revision Commission; revise, modernize and correct errors of said Code

<u>Bill Summary</u>: The bill revises, modernizes, corrects errors or omissions, and removes obsolete and unconstitutional references in Georgia Code as recommended by the Code Revision Commission.

Authored By:Rep. Johnnie Caldwell (131st)Rule Applied:Modified-StructuredHouse Committee:Code RevisionCommittee01-27-2016Do Pass

Floor Vote: Yeas: 162 Nays: 0 Amendments:

HB 739 Elementary and secondary education; process for state approved instructional materials and content is optional; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 739 clarifies the state instructional recommendation process and makes optional the use of a committee selected by the State Board of Education to review instructional materials. This legislation also provides that local boards of education shall have a review process for any locally approved instructional material.

Authored By: Rep. Kevin Tanner (9th) **Rule Applied:** Modified-Structured

House Committee: Education Committee 02-03-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Floor Vote: Yeas: 165 Nays: 3 Action: Substitute
Action: Amendments:

HB 765 Social services; board member appointments may include certain retired individuals; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 765 allows retirees, in addition to active personnel, to be appointed from the list of professionals required to be appointed to a county's Board of Family and Children Services.

Authored By:Rep. Jay Powell (171st)Rule Applied:Modified-StructuredHouse Committee:Governmental AffairsCommittee02-03-2016 Do PassAction:

Floor Vote: Yeas: 165 Nays: 0 Amendments:

HB 866 Insurance; multiple employer self-insured health plans; exempt from premium taxes

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 866 exempts multiple employer self-insured health plans from premium taxes.

Authored By:Rep. Shaw Blackmon (146th)Rule Applied:Modified-StructuredHouse Committee:InsuranceCommittee02-03-2016Do Pass

Floor Vote: Yeas: 167 Nays: 0 Action:
Amendments:

Postponed Until Next Legislative Day

HB 870 Quality Basic Education Act; high schools that receive state funding cannot participate in an athletic association which prohibits religious expression on clothing of student athletes; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 870 requires that high schools which receive state funding cannot participate in an athletic association which prohibits religious expression on athletic clothing. This bill also de facto prevents the high school athletic association from prohibiting member schools from participating in scrimmage games with non-member schools.

Authored By: Rep. Brian Strickland (111th) Rule Applied: Modified-Structured

Next on the Floor from the Committee on Rules

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 19th Legislative Day, Wednesday, February 10, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker. The Rules Committee will next meet on Wednesday, February 10, at 9:00 a.m., to set the Rules Calendar for the 20th Legislative Day.

HB 509 Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council; create; provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 509 creates the Georgia Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council within the Department of Community Health. The commissioner of the Department of Community Health will appoint nine members to the council. Additionally, this bill establishes a state-wide Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program within the department. The purpose of this program is to maximize the effectiveness of palliative care initiatives in Georgia by ensuring that comprehensive and accurate information and education about palliative care is available to the public, health care providers, and health care facilities.

Authored By: Rep. Jesse Petrea (166th) **Rule Applied:** Modified-Structured

House Committee: Health & Human Services Committee 01-26-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Action: Substitute

HB 635 Judges of Probate Courts Retirement Fund; increase number of years of mandatory contribution; provisions

Bill Summary: HB 635 amends O.C.G.A. 47-23-63 relating to member dues and creditable service for the Judges of the Probate Courts Retirement Fund. This bill increases the period of time in which a member must pay dues from 20 years to 30 years. Also, any member who is active on July 1, 2016 may obtain creditable service for any service in excess of 20 years as judge of the probate court, employee of the board, or secretary or treasurer, but not more than the number of years of service or 30 years, whichever is less. Any member who wishes to receive creditable service must apply and pay the member contributions they would have paid during that time period plus seven percent interest. This bill has been certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuary has determined that a state appropriation is not required to implement the changes set forth in this bill; the \$311,000 per year cost for 30 years will be paid through fines, fees, and bond forfeitures.

Authored By: Rep. James Epps (144th) **Rule Applied:** Modified-Open

House Committee: Retirement **Committee** 02-03-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Action: Substitute

HB 659 Education; provide transparency of financial information of local school systems and schools; provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 659 requires school systems to make financial information, other than information specifically confidential by law, available for public access in order to promote greater transparency within public schools.

Authored By: Rep. D. C. Belton (112th) **Rule Applied:** Modified-Open

House Committee: Education Committee 02-03-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Action: Substitute

HB 726 Excise tax; tobacco products; clarify certain charges

<u>Bill Summary</u>: This legislation exempts the amount of any federal excise tax or shipping charges listed separately on a dealer's or distributor's sales invoice from the state's tobacco excise tax. Retailers continue to pay the state excise tax if the shipping and federal excise tax charges are not itemized.

Authored By: Rep. Kevin Tanner (9th) **Rule Applied:** Structured

House Committee: Ways & Means Committee 02-04-2016 Do Pass

Action:

HB 840 Conservation and natural resources; rules and regulations used to establish criminal violations; change provisions

Bill Summary: HB 840 amends Code Section 12-2-2, relating to the Environmental Protection Division and the Department of Natural Resources generally and Code Section 27-1-39, relating to game and fish by updating the effective date to January 1, 2016 for all standards, rules, and regulations of the Board of Natural Resources. The bill also revises the definition of "feral hog" to specify that if a hog has lived any part of its life in a wild state it will be considered to be feral. The bill adds Code Section 27-2-13.1 which requires a film production wildlife permit for any person to keep, hold, or possess any wildlife for film production. The department may impose requirements for the housing and care of the wildlife. The permit shall authorize the permit holder to transport, possess, or transfer wildlife for any permitted purpose related to film production. The permit holder shall not release the wildlife from captivity or house the wildlife in a manner that poses a reasonable risk that the wildlife may be released or escape.

Authored By: Rep. Ron Stephens (164th) **Rule Applied:** Modified-Open

House Committee: Game, Fish, & Parks Committee 02-02-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Action: Substitute

HB 844 Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund; insurance premiums subject to taxation; update certain provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 844 amends O.C.G.A. 47-7-61 and 47-7-124 relating to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund. This bill updates and clarifies certain provisions relating to the taxation of insurance premiums. Also, this bill clarifies that the venue for any actions brought against the Board or Fund in superior court shall be the superior court in which the fund resides. This bill has been certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a nonfiscal retirement bill.

Authored By: Rep. Howard Maxwell (17th) Rule Applied: Modified-Open

House Committee: Retirement Committee 02-03-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Action: Substitute

Committee Actions

Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office and are placed on the General Calendar.

Health & Human Services Committee

HB 588 Controlled substances; possession of substances containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine and restrictions of sale of products containing pseudoephedrine; change provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 588 amends O.C.G.A 16-13-30.3 by removing phenylpropanolamine from the definition of drug products that contain ephedrine or pseudoephedrine. Under the provisions of this bill, retail distributors must require customers to issue a valid government ID when purchasing a product containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine. Additionally, the retail distributor must maintain a record of certain "required information", defined in the bill as the full name and address of the purchaser; the type of government ID; a description of the product purchased; and the date and time of the purchase.

Further, retail distributors must electronically track such sales using a "real-time electronic logging system", defined in the bill as a system that can track required information and generate a stop sale alert to notify a retail distributor that the purchase exceeds the quantity limits (9 grams of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine per 30 day period in dosage form; or 3.6 grams of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine per day in dosage form). The system will also contain an override function to be utilized in the event that the cashier is in imminent danger if the sale is not made; however, the system will still track any override sales. This system must be approved by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) and be offered free of charge to the state, retail distributors, and law enforcement agencies.

Authored By: Rep. Valerie Clark (101st)

House Health & Human Services **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 684 Dental hygienists; delegable services and procedures that may be performed by hygienists; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 684 increases access to preventative dental care in safety net settings and for underserved and needy populations.

Under the provisions of this bill, the requirement that a dental hygienist be supervised by a licensed dentist will not apply to dental hygienists who are practicing at approved safety net settings, such as: nonprofit clinics, long-term care facilities, federally qualified health centers, and school settings. In these situations, the supervising dentist is not required to be present when the procedures are performed; however, at the supervising dentist's discretion, he or she may require an initial examination of the patient prior to the performance of dental hygiene services. Additionally, a dentist that delegated a dental hygienist to perform these duties must maintain a dental practice within 100 miles of the approved safety net setting.

A dentist may only authorize up to four dental hygienists to provide hygiene services. A dental hygienist who performs these services without direct supervision of a licensed dentist must provide written notice to each patient containing: (1) the name of the dental hygienist and authorizing dentist; (2) any dental hygiene issues identified during the service; and (3) a statement advising the patient to seek a more thorough examination by a dentist within 90 days of receiving such services.

The requirement of direct supervision does not apply to the performance of dental hygiene duties for a Medicare or Medicaid patient, including pediatric patients and pregnant mothers; however, the Georgia Board of Dentistry shall provide a rule or regulation for the appropriate degree of supervision by a licensed dentist in these situations.

Authored By: Rep. Chuck Martin (49th)

House Health & Human Services Committee 02-09-2016 Tabled Action:

HB 783 Controlled substances; Schedules I and IV; change certain provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 783 revises O.C.G.A 16-13-25, relating to Schedule I controlled substances, by adding and removing certain substances from the Code section. Additionally, this bill revises O.C.G.A 16-13-28, relating to Schedule IV substances by adding and removing certain substances from the Code section. Further, multiple new substances are added to O.C.G.A 16-13-71 relating to the definition of a dangerous drug, and a list of restricted dangerous drugs which are deemed by the General Assembly to have no medical use is created.

Authored By: Rep. Bruce Broadrick (4th)

House Health & Human Services **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitut

HB 826 Medical practice; physicians; provide for certain requirements for advertisement or publication of representations of board certification

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 826 allows the Georgia Composite Medical Board to take disciplinary action against a physician who falsely advertises himself or herself as a board certified physician.

Authored By: Rep. Betty Price (48th)

House Health & Human Services **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 902 Hospitals and related institutions; educational information on influenza disease to residents of assisted living communities; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 902 requires assisted living communities to annually provide educational information on influenza to their residents. Such information should include the risks associated with influenza; the availability, effectiveness, and known contraindications of the influenza immunization; causes and symptoms of influenza and the means by which it is spread. The assisting living community is not required to provide or pay for any vaccinations.

Authored By: Rep. Katie Dempsey (13th)

House Health & Human Services **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass

Committee:

Higher Education Committee

HB 6 Georgia Student Finance Commission; provide weighted grade point averages in excess of 4.0 for purposes of determining eligibility for HOPE; authorize

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 6 allows the Georgia Student Finance Commission to weight STEM coursework classified as advanced placement, dual credit course, or international baccalaureate higher than a 4.0 scale.

Authored By: Rep. Dar'shun Kendrick (93rd)

House Higher Education **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 54 Tuition grants; children of officers killed in line of duty who attend University System institutions and meet certain requirements; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 54 provides financial assistance in postsecondary education for children of a law enforcement officer, firefighter, prison guard, emergency medical technician, or other public employer and Highway Emergency Response Operators who was killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty. This allows the Department of Revenue to establish a contribution method in which Georgia residents can deem part of their tax refund to go towards financial assistance.

Authored By: Rep. Keisha Waites (60th)

House Higher Education Committee 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 542 Higher education savings plan; matching contributions by the state for certain low-income contributors; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 542 expands the parameters for the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan by adding incentives for low-income families to save for higher education. In addition to the incentives, the state will create and implement a program to match low-income families contributions with state funds.

Authored By: Rep. David Wilkerson (38th)

House Higher Education **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass

Committee: Action:

Judiciary Committee

HB 757 Domestic relations; religious officials shall not be required to perform marriage ceremonies in violation of their legal right; provide

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 757 repeals O.C.G.A. 19-3-3.1, relating to marriage generally, and replaces it with ministerial protections. Specifically, clergy ordained or authorized to solemnize marriages, according to the usages of his or her denomination and acting in an official religious capacity, shall not be required to solemnize any marriage in violation of his or her right to free exercise of religion under the United States or Georgia Constitutions. A refusal by such clergy shall not give rise to a cause of action.

HB 757 also amends Code Section 10-1-573, relating to day of rest for employees of business and industry, to prohibit any business or industry from being compelled to work on either of the two rest days (Saturday or Sunday) by ordinance or resolution of any county, municipality, or consolidated government.

HB 757 exempts religious organizations from being required to rent, lease, or otherwise grant permission for property to be used by another person for purposes which are objectionable to such religious organization. A refusal by such religious organization shall not give rise to a cause of action.

Authored By: Rep. Kevin Tanner (9th)

House Judiciary **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 762 Crimes and offenses; disposal of aborted human fetuses; change certain provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 762 amends Code sections related to the unlawful buying, selling, or offering to buy or sell a human body or parts to include human fetuses, and it makes such acts punishable by a fine not exceeding \$25,000 and/or by imprisonment for one to five years.

Authored By: Rep. Wendell Willard (51st)

House Judiciary **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 849 "Georgia Civil Rights in Public Accommodations Act"; enact

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 849 amends Title 10, relating to commerce and trade, to protect the right to equal enjoyment of and privileges to public accommodations regardless of race, color, religion, or national origin. HB 849 provides a method for complaint and hearing by those aggrieved under this chapter similar the process for bringing a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (commission) and amends Article 2 of Chapter 19 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fair employment practices.

HB 849 adds 10-16-1, providing the policy of the State of Georgia to provide for equal enjoyment of public accommodations and allow for the execution of the policies set forth in 42 U.S.C Section 2000a, also known as the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

HB 849 adds 10-16-2, which provides definitions that are used within the chapter, to include: "administrator", "complainant", "discriminatory public accommodations practice", "person", and "place of public accommodation." Specifically, "public accommodation" is defined as any, any: restaurant, gas station, place of entertainment or establishment that provides lodging, and "administrator" is the administrator of the commission.

HB 849 provides that all persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of goods, services, and accommodations of any place of public accommodation without discrimination of the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

HB 849 adds Code Section 10-16-4, which provides that the provision in this chapter shall not apply to a private establishment, so far as that establishment does not perform as a place of public accommodation.

HB 849 gives the authority and responsibility for administering this chapter shall be vested in the administrator. The commission shall create a Public Accommodations Division, and the administrator may delegate his or her responsibilities to others in the commission, promulgate rules subject to the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' and accept gifts on behalf of the state.

HB 849 provides a one-year statute of limitations for bringing a complaint and outlines the procedural, notice and investigatory requirements to which the administrator must adhere. The commission must acknowledge a filing within 10 days with a notice that contains the procedural timeline and process. HB 849 allows the respondent to file an answer within 30 days and allows for new persons to join the complaint upon written notice from the administrator.

HB 849 states that the administrator shall complete an investigation that culminates with the filing of a charge or dismissal within 90 days and when feasible, the administrator shall engage in conciliation (represented by conciliation agreements) with respect to a complaint. Furthermore, HB 849 outlines what the administrator shall put in the final investigative report.

The legislation provides the procedure if the administrator finds or does not find a discriminatory public accommodation practice occurred. It outlines what must be contained in the charge or dismissal that the administrator files, as well as the appeal process for a complainant who receives a dismissal.

HB 849 allows the administrator to issue subpoenas and order discovery to help aid an investigation; subpoenaed witnesses are subject to the same witness fees and penalties used in the superior courts.

Upon issuance of a charge, the administrator shall refer the case to the board of commissioners (board) for a hearing, and the board shall designate a three-member panel, which includes an attorney. The bill provides the timeline in which the administrator, respondent, and aggrieved person must serve complaint, answer to the complaint, and notice of hearing. In addition, the hearing testimony is taken under oath and will result in a final order.

HB 849 adds O.C.G.A 10-16-11, which provides that within 30 days after the hearing, unless a time extension is filed with good cause, the board of commissioners will issue a final order. The board of commissioners can grant relief, subject to limitations if they find that a respondent has engaged in a discriminatory practice or the board can file a dismissal if they do not find a violation.

HB 849 allows any party to a hearing to appeal a final order within 30 days in the superior court in the county where the alleged unlawful practice occurred or the superior court where the respondent resides. While the superior court cannot substitute its judgment for that of the board's, the superior court may reverse or modify a final order if they conclude that the substantive rights of the appellant

have been prejudiced.

HB 849 adds 10-16-13, which provides that any person affected by a final order of the administrator or the board of commissioners may file in the superior court of the county of residence of the respondent a certified copy of a board's final order, an unappealed order, or a order affirmed upon appeal, and the court shall render a judgment which will have the same effect as if the judgment had been rendered by the court.

Finally, HB 849 provides that it is unlawful to coerce, threaten or interfere with any person in the exercise or enjoyment of any rights in this chapter.

Authored By: Rep. Rich Golick (40th)

House Judiciary **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

Public Safety & Homeland Security Committee

HB 93 Motor vehicles; law enforcement retaining license plate data obtained from automated license plate recognition systems for certain periods; prohibit

Bill Summary: House Bill 93 defines "automated license plate recognition system" and "captured license plate data" in the Code. Automated license plate recognition system means one or more high-speed cameras combined with computer algorithms to convert images of license plates into computer readable data. Captured license plate data means the GPS coordinates, data/time, photograph, license plate number, and any other data collected by the automated license plate recognition system. The data collect shall be destroyed by the law enforcement agency that collects the data after 90 days unless the data is the subject matter of a toll violation or law enforcement purpose. The bill allows law enforcement agencies to exchange data with other law enforcement agencies for official purposes but imposes penalties for improper use. Finally, the bill states that data collected is not subject to open records requests.

Authored By: Rep. John Pezold (133rd)

House Public Safety & Homeland Security **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 166 Motorcycle Mobility Safety Act; enact

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House Bill 166 is the 'Motor Cycle Mobility Safety Act.' The legislation increases the height limitation for motorcycle handlebars to 25 inches.

Authored By: Rep. John Yates (73rd)

House Public Safety & Homeland Security Committee 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 764 Motor vehicles; drivers to stop at crosswalks with pedestrian-activated rectangular rapid flash beacons; require

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 764 amends Title 40 by adding a definition of a "rectangular rapid flash beacon," which is a user-activated device with amber lights that supplements warning signals at unsignalized intersections or mid-block crosswalks. The legislation requires a driver to stop to allow a pedestrian to cross within the crosswalk when the device is activated. Further, it states that a pedestrian who does not intend to cross the roadway shall not activate the device.

Authored By: Rep. Alan Powell (32nd)

House Public Safety & Homeland Security **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

HB 777 School buses; drivers use cellular telephones in similar manner as a two-way radio; allow

<u>Bill Summary</u>: House bill 777 amends a prohibition on school bus drivers using a cell phone while a bus is in motion. The legislation allows an exception for those using the phone in a similar manner as a two-way radio to allow live communication between the driver and school/public safety officials.

Authored By: Rep. Mike Dudgeon (25th)

House Public Safety & Homeland Security **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

Regulated Industries Committee

HB 592 Professional engineers and land surveyors; provide profession of professional structural engineer; provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 592 adds professional structural engineers and structural engineering to the regulations governing professional engineers and land surveyors. Also, the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors is granted the power to determine the rules and requirements for structural engineers to obtain and renew certificates of registration to practice as a structural engineer. To be eligible for a certificate of registration as a professional structural engineer, the minimum requirements are: not less than four years' experience in structural engineering work and pass a 16 hour written exam, or obtain a certification by the board as an engineer in training, seven years' experience in structural engineering and pass a 16 hour written exam.

Authored By: Rep. Brett Harrell (106th)

House Regulated Industries **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass

Committee: Action:

HB 869 Professions and businesses; responsibilities of brokers and qualifying brokers to review certain documents; change certain provisions

<u>Bill Summary</u>: HB 869 removes a provision that requires real estate brokers to review all offers, including offers immediately rejected, to require real estate brokers to review only accepted offers. The bill brings state law in compliance with federal regulations. HB 869 eliminates the duty of a real estate broker to deliver a copy of the closing statement and requires licensees to ensure their clients receive a copy of the closing statement and to retain a copy for three years if it was provided at closing.

Authored By: Rep. Alan Powell (32nd)

House Regulated Industries **Committee** 02-09-2016 Do Pass by Committee

Committee: Action: Substitute

Small Business Development Committee

HB 821 "Military Spouses and Veterans Licensure Act"; enact

<u>Bill Summary</u>: This bill, relating to the general provisions applicable to professions and businesses, requires professional licensing boards and other boards to adopt rules and regulations implementing a process by which military spouses and transitioning service members may qualify for temporary licenses, licenses by endorsement, expedited licenses, or a combination these for each profession, business, or trade for which a license is issued.

Action:

Authored By: Rep. Al Williams (168th)

House Small Business Development Committee 02-09-2016 Do Pass

Committee:

Committee Meeting Schedule

This meeting schedule is up to date at the time of this report, but meeting dates and times are subject to change.

To keep up with the latest schedule, please visit www.house.ga.gov and click on Meetings Calendar.

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